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UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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In re

MARY ELLEN ROMEO,

Case No. 10-11582 (SCC)

Debtor.

SSN xxx-xx-8346

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**ORDER CONFIRMING CHAPTER 13 PLAN**

**Definitions:** If this is a joint case, use of the term “Debtor” shall also mean Debtors. The term “Trustee” shall always refer to Jeffrey L. Sapir, the Chapter 13 Standing Trustee for this court, or his substitute. The term “Bankruptcy Rule” shall refer to the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure. The term “Local Rule” shall refer to the Local Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure of the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York. The term “Petition” refers to Debtor’s bankruptcy petition filed with the court on March 26, 2010. **Other definitions used in the Debtor’s Plan apply to this Order.**

The Debtor’s plan was filed on June 6, 2010, and was modified on December 8, 2010, (the “Plan”). The Plan or a summary of the Plan was transmitted to creditors pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 3015 and Local Rule 3015-1(c) and 3015-2. The Court finds that the Plan meets the requirements of 11 U.S.C. § 1325.

**IT IS ORDERED THAT:**

The Plan is hereby **CONFIRMED**, and the following provisions shall apply:

**PAYMENTS**

The Debtor shall make 56 monthly payments to the Trustee as follows:

\$550.00 each month, from July 1, 2010, through December 1, 2012.

\$560.00 each month, from January 1, 2013, through December 1, 2014.

\$575.00 each month, from January 1, 2015, through June 1, 2015.

☒ Lump-sum payment(s) in the following amount(s):

Tax refunds as follows: 100% for each of the following years: 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013.

Unless the Debtor consented in the Plan to entry of a pay order, the Debtor will pay the amounts listed above to the Trustee by bank check, certified check, teller's check, or money order sent to the following address:

Jeffrey L. Sapir, Esq., Chapter 13 Trustee  
399 Knollwood Road, Suite 102  
White Plains, New York 10603

### **DISBURSEMENTS**

Disbursements by the Trustee shall be *pro rata* as outlined below, and as set forth more fully in the Plan.

**Category 1 (Attorney's Fees).** The following fees, in excess of the pre-petition retainer received, have been approved by a separate application filed pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 2016 and have been approved by the court:

\$2,000.00.

**Category 2 (Claims Secured by a Mortgage on the Debtor's Real Property Used as a Principal Residence).** By this Order, an affirmative duty is imposed on the Secured Creditor and Debtor to do all of the following:

**(a) Prepetition Arrearages.**

(i) For purposes of this Plan, Prepetition Arrearages shall include all sums included in the allowed claim and shall have a "0" balance upon entry of the Discharge Order in this case.

(ii) No interest will be paid on Prepetition Arrearages unless otherwise stated.

(iii) Payments made by the Trustee on Debtor's Prepetition Arrearages shall be applied **only** to those Prepetition Arrearages and not to any other amount owed by Debtor to the Secured Creditor.

(iv) Information Regarding the Arrearages.

<u>Secured Creditor &amp; Property Description</u>	<u>Value of Collateral and Valuation Method</u>	<u>Arrearage Amount</u>	<u>Arrearage Owed As Of</u>
CitiMortgage 350 West 57 <sup>th</sup> Street Apt #4F New York, NY 10019	\$526,000.00 by Broker Opinion Letter	\$14,012.28	March 26, 2010

(v) If Debtor pays the amount(s) specified in section (iv) (above), while making all required Post-Petition Payments (see below), Debtor's mortgage will be reinstated according to its original terms, extinguishing any right of the Secured Creditor to recover any amount alleged to have arisen prior to the filing of Debtor's petition.

**(b) Post-Petition Payments.**

Debtor shall pay the following Post-Petition Payments directly to the Secured Creditor listed below during the pendency of the Plan:

<u>Secured Creditor &amp; Property Description</u>	<u>Payment Amount</u>	<u>Payment Timing</u>
CitiMortgage 350 West 57 <sup>th</sup> Street Apt #4F New York, NY 10019	\$3,503.07	Monthly

A Secured Creditor receiving Post-Petition Payments directly from the Debtor pursuant to this section must comply with Section E(1) of the Plan, with regard to any Notice of Contract Change (as defined in Section E(1)). The Debtor shall make the Post-Petition Payments in the amount set forth on the most recent Notice of Contract Change.

**(c) Return and/or Reallocation of Distribution Payment Made to Secured Creditor.**

If a Secured Creditor withdraws its claim, the sum allocated towards the payment of the Secured Creditor's claim shall be distributed by the Trustee to Debtor's remaining creditors. If the Secured Creditor has received monies from the Trustee (Distribution Payment) and returns those monies to the Trustee, the monies returned shall be distributed to the Debtor's remaining creditors. If Debtor has proposed a plan that repays his or her creditors in full, then these monies will be returned to the Debtor.

**Category 3 (Executory Contracts and Unexpired Leases).** Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 1322(b), Debtor assumes or rejects the following unexpired lease(s) or executory contract(s). For an executory contract or unexpired lease with an arrearage to cure, the arrearage will be cured as provided below, with regular monthly payments to be paid directly to the creditor or landlord ("Creditor") by the Debtor.

**(a) Assumed.**

☒ Not Applicable.

**(b) Rejected.**

☒ Not Applicable.

**(c) Post-Petition Payments for Assumed Executory Contracts and Unexpired Leases.**

☒ Not Applicable.

A Creditor receiving Post-Petition Payments directly from the Debtor pursuant to this section must comply with Section E(1) of the Plan, with regard to any Notice of Contract Change (as defined in Section E(1)). The Debtor shall make the Post-Petition Payments in the amount set forth on the most recent Notice of Contract Change.

**Category 4 (Claims Secured by Personal Property, a Combination of Personal and Real Property, and Real Property Not Used as Debtor's Principal Residence).**

**(a) List of Category 4 Claims.**

☒ Not Applicable.

**(b) Adequate Protection.**

The Secured Creditor received the following amounts as adequate protection post-petition and prior to confirmation: \_\_\_\_\_.

☒ Not Applicable.

**(c) Post-Petition Payments.**

Debtor shall pay the following Post-Petition Payments directly to the Secured Creditor listed below during the pendency of the Plan:

☒ Not Applicable.

A Secured Creditor receiving Post-Petition Payments directly from the Debtor pursuant to this section must comply with Section E(1) in the Plan, with regard to any Notice of Contract Change (as defined in Section E(1)). The Debtor shall make the Post-Petition Payments in the amount set forth on the most recent Notice of Contract Change.

**(d) Return and/or Reallocation of Distribution Payment Made to Secured Creditor.**

If a Secured Creditor withdraws its claim, the sum allocated towards the payment of the Secured Creditor's claim shall be distributed by the Trustee to Debtor's remaining creditors. If the Secured Creditor has received monies from the Trustee (Distribution Payment) and returns those monies to the Trustee, the monies returned shall be distributed to the Debtor's remaining creditors. If Debtor has proposed a plan that repays his or her creditors in full, then these monies will be returned to the Debtor.

**Category 5 (Priority, Unsecured Claims).** All allowed claims entitled to *pro rata* priority treatment under 11 U.S.C. § 507 shall be paid in full in the following order:

**(a) Unsecured Domestic Support Obligations.**

Debtor shall remain current on all such obligations that come due after filing the Debtor's Petition. Unpaid obligations incurred before the Petition date are to be cured as follows:

☒ Not Applicable.

**(b) Other Unsecured Priority Claims.**

<u>Creditor</u>	<u>Type of Priority Debt</u>	<u>Amount Owed</u>
Internal Revenue Service	Taxes and certain other debts	\$13,279.38

**Category 6 (Codebtor Claims).** The following Codebtor (as defined in the Plan) claims are to be paid *pro rata* until the allowed amounts of such claims are paid in full.

☒ Not Applicable.

**Category 7 (Nonpriority, Unsecured Claims).** Allowed unsecured, nonpriority claims shall be paid *pro rata* from the balance of payments made under the Plan.

### **WARNING TO CREDITORS**

Section E of the Plan requires Secured Creditors and Creditors (as defined in the Plan) receiving distributions above and/or listed in Category 2, 3 and 4 of the Plan to file (1) a **Notice of Contract Change** (defined in Section E of the Plan), (2) a claim for Outstanding Obligations (a **Notice of Outstanding Obligations**, defined in Section E of the Plan), and (3) pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 2016 and Local Rule 2016-1, an **application for reimbursement of costs and fees** incurred by their professionals post-petition and prior to the issuance of a Notice of Discharge in this case. *Failure to comply with Section E of the Plan may result in disallowance of such claims.*

### **DEBTOR'S DUTIES**

**Tax Returns.** While the case is pending, the Debtor shall timely file tax returns and pay taxes or obtain appropriate extensions and send a copy of either the tax return or the extension to the Trustee pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 521(f) within thirty (30) days of filing with the taxing authority.

**Operating Reports.** If Debtor is self-employed or operates a business either individually or in a corporate capacity, Debtor shall provide the Trustee with monthly operating reports throughout the entirety of the case.

**Insurance.** Debtor shall maintain insurance as required by law, contract, security agreement or Order of this court.

**Payment Records to Trustee.** Debtor shall keep and maintain records of payments made to Trustee.

**Payment Records to Secured Creditor(s).** Debtor shall keep and maintain records of post-petition payments made to Secured Creditor(s).

**Donation Receipts.** Where applicable, Debtor shall keep a record of all charitable donations made during the pendency of this case and maintain receipts received.

**Domestic Support Obligation(s).** Debtor shall maintain a record of all domestic support obligation payments paid directly to the recipient pursuant to a separation agreement, divorce decree, applicable child support collection unit order or other court's order. The Debtor must also complete and sign the "Certification Regarding Domestic Support Obligations" required by General Order M-338. The Certification should be returned to the Trustee when submitting the last payment under this Plan.

**Change in Address.** Debtor must notify the court and the Trustee if the address or contact information changes during the pendency of the case. Notification must be made in writing within fifteen (15) days of when the change takes place.

**Disposal of Property.** Debtor shall not sell, encumber, transfer or otherwise dispose of any real property or personal property with a value of more than \$1,000 without first obtaining court approval.

**ADDITIONAL AND VARYING PROVISIONS**

The following, additional provisions are hereby incorporated as part of the Plan:

☒ Not Applicable.

Debtor will cure any funding shortfall before the Plan is deemed completed.

Property of the estate is hereby vested in the Debtor except where the Plan specifically provides otherwise.

**CONFIRMATION ORDER CONTROLS**

Additional provisions set forth in the Plan shall apply unless they are inconsistent with a specific provision of this Order. If any provision of the Plan is inconsistent with this Order, the provisions of this Order shall control.

Dated: January 11, 2011

BY THE COURT

/s/ Shelley C. Chapman

Honorable Shelley C. Chapman  
United States Bankruptcy Judge